II. Excise.

2. The Committee next took up the following proposals relating to the Excise Department and agreed to the amounts mentioned against each being included in the Budget for 1107 :—

	Rs.
(1) Local allowance to Petty Officer, Excise Commissioner's Office who gives instructions in drill to the recruits to the Reserve ...	55
(2) Confirmation of the temporary staffs of the Ezhukone and Kilikolloor Railway Chowkeys ...	847
(3) Confirmation of the temporary staff of the Akathumuri Railway Chowkey ...	429
(4) Staff and site for the proposed Railway Chowkey at Pettah ...	1,636
(5) Continuance of the temporary staff for guarding the Arukutty, Piravom and Alwaye frontiers ...	5,940

III. Forests.

3. The Committee considered the proposal for the entertainment of a Forester on Rs. 20 per mensem for the Timber Depot newly opened at Puliannur (Palai) and agreed to the provision of a sum of Rs. 220 required for the purpose in the Budget for 1107.

4. The Committee then took up for consideration the proposal for the entertainment of the following temporary additional staff for the disposal of arrears of kudivila claims :—

In the Conservator's office.

1 clerk on Rs. 50 per mensem.
2 clerks on Rs. 25 each per mensem.

Kottayam and Central Divisions each.

1 clerk on Rs. 30 per mensem.
3 clerks on Rs. 25 each per mensem.
2 clerks on Rs. 20 each per mensem.

Quilon, Northern and Southern Divisions each.

1 clerk on Rs. 30 per mensem.
1 clerk on Rs. 20 for Quilon only.

The non-official members wished to know the number of claims pending in each of the Divisions and the total amount covered by them. Mr. R. Nilakanta Pillai explained that it was not possible to collect the information and that an idea of the amount can be had only after tracing the same from the several Depot registers. The consideration of this proposal was postponed pending receipt of further details from the Conservator's office.

IV. General Administration.

5. The Committee then took up the following proposals for consideration :—

The proposal for making the 6 peons temporarily entertained in the Secretariat for 1106 consequent on the appointment of two more

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Assistant Secretaries and the provision of a sum of Rs. 648 for the purpose in the budget for 1107 was objected to by the non-official members on the ground that the scheme for the reorganisation of the Secretariat was not placed before the Legislative Council. It was decided that the matter might be placed before the Legislative Council.

6. The proposal for the continuance during 1107 of the two temporary clerks on Rs. 20 each per mensem in the Telephone Exchange attached to the Huzur Office and the provision of a sum of Rs. 440 required for the purpose in the Budget was agreed to by the Committee.

7. The Committee accepted the proposal for the continuance during 1107 of the additional staff of a graduate clerk on Rs. 40 and a typist on Rs. 20, entertained in the P. W. Section of the Secretariat in April 1928 in connection with the creation of two new Divisions in the P. W. D., viz., the Trivandrum Water Works and the Trivandrum Electricity Schemes and agreed to the provision of a sum of Rs. 660 in the Budget, the cost being debitable to Capital Account as in 1106.

8. The proposal for the entertainment of a temporary staff of 3 clerks on Rs. 25 each for three months in the Account Office for rewriting Sirkar Savings Bank Ledgers and the provision of a sum of Rs. 225 required for the purpose in the Budget was agreed to by the Committee.

9. The Committee next took up for consideration the proposal for the entertainment in the Secretariat of a temporary staff of one clerk on Rs. 75-100 and another on Rs. 40-70 with a deputation allowance of Rs. 20 and Rs. 14 each respectively for 9 months and the payment of an allowance of Rs. 5 each to three typists in connection with the preparation of the Administration Report and the Proceedings of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly. Mr. K. Kunjukrishna Pillai said that there is no necessity for giving deputation allowance as the staff has not to do its regular work during this period. Mr. R. Nilakanta Pillai pointed out the provisions in the Travancore Service Regulations for giving deputation allowance. The Dewan said that the work is a tough one and as an inducement to get the work done as early as possible the clerks are given the deputation allowance to which they are entitled under the Travancore Service Regulations. In this connection, Mr. N. K. Krishna Pillai suggested that the allowance to the typists should be given in rotation. To this Mr. K. George replied that this could be arranged with due regard to efficiency. The proposal was finally agreed to by the Committee as also the provision of a sum of Rs. 1,971 required for the purpose in the Budget.

V. Administration of Justice.

10. The Committee agreed to the provision of a sum of Rs. 290 in the Budget for the continuance during the first 10 months in 1107 of the temporary staff of one clerk on Rs. 20 and a peon on Rs. 9 in the Village Panchayat Court, Parur.

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